विजन डिवाइस, बाइनोकुलर, हाथ में पकड़ी जाने वाली सर्चलाइट आदि जारी किए गए हैं।

(5) तुरन्त प्रत्यक्रमण तथा प्रभावी निगरानी के लिए जीप/मोटर साइकिल पर विशेष सीमा गश्तों के रूप में चलती-फिरती गश्त शुरू की गई है।

(6) आतंकवादियों/उग्रवादियों के प्रवेश को रोकने के लिए तार लगाकर बाधाएं खड़ी की गई हैं।

(7) सीमा पर निकट से निगरानी रखने के लिए सीमा सुरक्षा बल के आसूचना तंत्र को सक्रिय किया गया है और उसे सुदृढ़ किया गया है।

जम्मू और कश्मीर के संबंध में सीमा पर सतर्कता बढ़ाने के अलावा, नियंत्रण रेखा और सीमा के साथ साथ 5 किलोमीटर पट्टी पर शाम सबेरे तक का कर्फ्यू लगाया गया है, आसूचना तंत्र को सक्रिय किया गया है। सीमावर्ती जिलों में विक्षुब्ध क्षेत्र अधिनियम तथा सेना बल विशेष शक्ति (अधिनियम) लागू किया गया है, और सेना, अर्धसैनिक बलों तथा राज्य पुलिस के मध्य बेहतर समन्वय है।

(घ) इस बारे में सरकार को कोई पक्की सूचना नहीं है।

Privation of transport in the Capital

1516. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 639 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th July, 1991 and state

(a) whether Government are planning to privatise transport system in the Capital;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the operation of the DTC will be completely done away with; and

(d) if so, by when the privatisation scheme would come into operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The private sector is already participating in the transport system of the Capital independently as well as supplementing the DTC's services. Government welcome active participation of the private sector to bring an improvement to the transport system of Delhi. The Government have already recommended to the Delhi Administration to introduce a scheme of Special Stage Carriage Permits at a fare structure higher than that of D.T.C.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

Impact of Collapse of Warsaw Pact on India's Foreign Policy

1517. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the effect of collapse of Warsaw Pact on non-alignment policy followed by India;

(b) whether there has been any change in our foreign policy with regard to these world events; and

(c) what steps India proposes to take in that context of the tendency of the existing Super Power block of countries to establish hegemony in world affairs to become self-styled policemen of the world?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) to (c) The collapse of the system of military blocs is a vindication of the policy of Nonalignment. Our policy of pursuing an independent path in Foreign Affairs continues. India will continue its efforts, together with the

other Non-aligned countries, for the attainment of an equitable and just world order.

Plight of Indian Doctors in Canada

1518. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Indian Doctors who went to Canada, are working as cable drivers and as gas station attendants and if so, what are the details;

(b) wheher they resorted to hunger strike at Vancouver and Montreal cities to protest against the cumbersome licensing procedure and if so, what are the details; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to prevent the discrimination against the Indian doctors in Canada?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Government are aware that doctors of Indian origin are working in otherf professions, pending the acceptance of their applications for grant of internship. Such applications can take from five to six years to materialise because of the limited availability of positions in Canadian teaching hospitals.

(b) A group of doctors of several nationalities including some of Indian origin, resorted to hunger strikes in Montreal (in 1989) and Vancouver (in 1990).

(c) As far as Government are aware, these doctors of Indian origin have taken un Canadian citizenship and are thereby subject o federal and State regulations and procedures prevalent in Canada. This is the problem faced by doctors of several nationalities who hold foreign medical degrees and we are not aware of any discrimination specifically directed against doctors of Indian origin.

Complaints against ..arbitrary hike in .. taxi fares

1519. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been persistent complaints from the passengers regarding arbitrary pre-paid taxi fare hikes by the Traffic Police and irrational delineation of zones in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether Government have examined these complaints; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) The Delhi Police have received some complaints of this naturefrom the passengers. The Delhi Police have enquired into every such complaint under intimation to the complainant.

In view of the complaints that have been received, the following steps are being taken by the Delhi Police:—

(i) The Delhi Police are dropping the Zone System and the systems of Colony distance is being introduced.

(ii) The fare charges are displayed at prominent places near the booth.

Dissolution of "Warsaw Pact" and "COMECON"

1520. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that both the "Warsaw Pact" and "COMECON" have been dissolved; and

(b) if so, its effect on the non-alignment movement?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes Sir.